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SUBJECT: US CONGRESSIONAL COMMENTS RE INDIAN STATE  
OF EMERGENCY

REF: A) NEW DELHI 9221; B) STATE 170396

1. FOLLOWING ARE SUMMARIES OF CONGRESSIONAL COMMENT FROM  
JULY 11 - 17. FULL TEXTS FOLLOW BY POUCH.

2. JULY 11 - SEN. BYRD (D-W.VA.) REACTED STRONGLY TO A  
CHICAGO DAILY NEWS STORY THAT INDICATED US EMBASSY  
PRESSURE ON NEWSMEN TO ABIDE BY CENSORSHIP RULES.  
IF THE CHARGES WERE TRUE, BYRD SAID HE WANTED THE  
GUILTY EMBASSY OFFICIALS RECALLED. (DEPARTMENT HAS SINCE  
PREPARED REPLY INFORMING SEN. BYRD THAT STORY WAS  
INNACURATE AND EMBASSY AT NO TIME PRESSURED NEWSMEN TO  
ACCEPT CENSORSHIP RULES.)

3. JULY 14 - SEN. CHURCH (D-IDAHO) SAID THAT MRS. GANDHI  
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HAS FAILED THE TEST OF DEVOTION TO DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES

BY FAILING TO PLACE THE LONG-TERM WELL-BEING OF THE STATE  
ABOVE HER OWN PERSONAL AMBITIONS.

4. JULY 16 - REP. ASHBROOK (R-OHIO) CALLED ON THE  
PRESIDENT TO HALT ALL AID TO INDIA AND URGED COMMITTEE  
ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS TO BEGIN HEARINGS ON  
QUESTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDIA.

5. JULY 17 - REP. ZEFERETTI (D-N.Y.) CRITICIZED THE  
CURRENT SITUATION IN INDIA AND CALLED FOR THE END OF  
ECONOMIC AID TO THAT COUNTRY, EXPLAINING THAT FOREIGN  
AID SHOULD NOT CONTINUE TO BE POURED INTO A COUNTRY  
WHERE THERE IS NO LONGER RESPECT FOR DEMOCRATIC IDEALS.

6. COMMENTS MADE DURING HOUSE CONSIDERATION OF USDA  
APPROPRIATIONS BILL ARE TO BE FOUND IN REF B. KISSINGER

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